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#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003 (Paper No. 6), Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time extending the period for response to December 27, 2003. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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